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UCF HEAD COACH JOHNNY DAWKINS

On the record rebounding performance:

We want our identify to be defending and rebounding. I know we've been able to shoot the ball, but that's not an identity for us to be successful with. You have to find ways to win and the way you can do that most consistently is to guard and to rebound the ball. And I thought we did it again tonight. When the shots weren't falling and it wasn't our best shooting night, I thought we did a really good job of pursuing rebounds and making the extra plays that are needed to still be successful.

On still finding success even through tough shooting:

There's gonna be games like that, its not going to be one of the nights where the shots fall like you want to. So what else do you do out there to win? You know, you can't let that be the excuse, not making shots. You got to still find ways to be successful. I thought our guys were able to do that. And I think it's a great moment for us to be able to teach our guys from this game."

On Stillwell's impact:

He played to his strengths. Everybody has a role on our team, and what you see in the numbers are his role. Whether it's 20 points or whether it's 10, the main thing is that he brings a constant defensive presence, he brings a constant rebounding presence on both sides of the ball. Since I've been watching him this preseason, practice or game, that is how he looks every single time he steps on the floor. He is one of those players, you know what you're going to get from him every night. You know he's going to bring a certain level of intensity and a certain level of energy and effort to the game.

On reaching 175 wins at UCF:

I love UCF, first and foremost, and I'm proud to have made my contribution. The university has been amazing to me this entire decade. All I'm trying to do is pay it forward and give back as much as I can by making everyone in our community, everyone at our university proud of UCF basketball and what we are able to do on and off the court. It's been my one goal since I've been here, and that hasn't changed, and hopefully I can get another 175 wins.





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UCF GUARD JORDAN BURKS

On working past tough three-point shooting:

My teammates always encourage me to keep shooting. Not every shot can fall, so we got to rely on our defense, and the other things I know I can do. Rebound, get steals, get deflections. And I know I should keep shooting, I've got great teammates to encourage me there.

On the team's record setting offensive boards:

He [Stillwell] leads by example. When I see how easy it is for him to go down there and get a board, I'm like alright, he can do it, I know I can do it. So I'm gonna crash, everyone else will crash, and coaches were yelling at us to keep crashing, so that's what we did. And looking at the opponents offensive rebounding, we always want to try and double that and I think we did that today.

UCF GUARD JAMICHAEL STILLWELL

On his offensive rebounding performance:

I'm just very aggressive on the boards. When I see our shots aren't falling, I know I need to get myself in a spot so when ball comes off it comes to me. Then I know I can try to get us those second chance points.

On overcoming slow starts:

Coach has been on us about playing a whole 40 minutes of locked in defense. We need to play a whole 40 minutes of competing instead of 20, 25 minutes and I think that's really where we can come up short at. Instead of crunching to beat a team in that time span, we need to be aggressive the whole go to really show what we can do

On having multiple players who can score:

We have an excellent team, a lot of guys that can really get to it. And we are all here for each other, we cheer for each other, so even if one person has a bad night, we know, alright, we have a roster full of guys that can do what's needed. I think we're deep on talent there.

